

Mr. President, Senator Lewis would like to remind the board members that there is an Executive Board meeting at four o'clock in Room 2102.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the next bill is...okay, what is the next amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Johnson moves to amend the bill.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I thought I would follow the preceding amender and not pass it out. It is an extraordinarily simple amendment. It says: "Sections 1, 2 and 6 of this act shall become operative on October 1, 1981." As you may recall, that is all it says, a simple amendment. As you may recall, when this bill was on General File we wisely struck a prepayment program known as the rule of 78s and substituted a prepayment program known as the actuarial method and I have since that time had an opportunity to discuss that amendment with the lending industry. The lending industry essentially concurs with the amendment but they say, could you give us a breather because we have got our computers programmed for the rule of 78s. We would like to wash out a lot of loans that we have. We would just feel better if we could have a little more time in phasing into the new prepayment program and I said, that is fine by me. I didn't mean to do anything that would be detrimental to the lending industry but I did want to change this one practice. So in discussing this with some of the members they have suggested October 1, 1981, as being an appropriate day for implementation of this particular new prepayment regimen and I have said that would be fine and that is all this amendment does. It changes the operative date of three sections, 1, 2 and 6 of LB 279 to October 1, 1981, rather than upon the Governor's signature which will be the case if this measure passes with the emergency clause. Actually, I am even having the amendment passed out.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is more than a little amendment. It is an absolutely necessary amendment. Isn't it, Vardo? Huh? Remember when Johnny told you the other day that you would be back begging to change that bill? Well that is what we are doing. We are delaying it for a year and a half because you have to completely change it. So I fully support the amendment and think you should adopt it. Otherwise you've got some bigger problems than somewhat on the rule of 78s and...